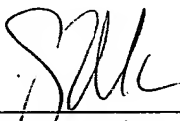


### REMARKS

The subject amendment has canceled the previously filed claims 1-58, and retained claims 59-82. The provided claims include limitations that are not found in the art of record. It is respectfully submitted that all remaining claims are patentably distinct over the art of record, and in condition for allowance. An early allowance is respectfully urged. If the Examiner believes there are any further matters which need to be discussed in order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any over-payment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0902 (76867/00006).

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